<u>Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship</u> <u>Mini-Newsletter September 4, 2021</u>

<u>Please join us from 10:30-1:00 tomorrow, Sunday, September 5</u> for a special Fellowship gathering at the Kiley home, 33 Water Street, Damariscotta. Bring your own cup/plate/utensils and whatever you can contribute to our potluck picnic. (In these Covid Times, if you would prefer to just bring your own lunch, that's fine, too!)

We will start with an old-fashioned hymn sing (instead of a regular service) led by Kevin, Jennifer and Susan.

Upcoming Services

Sept. 12: Rev. Charles Stephens under the tent at the YMCA in Damariscotta at 10:30 am.

"The Ocean Refuses No River" This will be a Water Communion Service. Many of our UU congregations celebrate a version of this ritual each year. You are each invited to bring a small vial of water from a place that is important to you. This may be water from an exotic trip, from your dog or cat's bowl, a stream or lake nearby or from your faucet. You can use water that symbolizes the water you would have brought (back with you from your travels) if you would have known a month or more ago. We will pour that water into a common bowl during the service, symbolizing our flowing back together as a community of faith, hope, love and action.

Climate Solutions & Spiritual Leadership:

A Conversation with leaders from the All We Can Save anthology

Thursday, September 9, 2021 • 7:00pm-8:15pm (Eastern)

An online event hosted by <u>The BTS Center</u>, in celebration of <u>All We Can Save: Truth, Courage, and Solutions</u> for the <u>Climate Crisis</u>, an anthology of writings by 60 women at the forefront of the climate movement who are harnessing truth, courage, and solutions to lead humanity forward.

More information & registration here: https://thebtscenter.org/all-we-can-save/

Memorial Service for Mimi Moore

The memorial service for Mimi Moore will be Today, September 4th at 4 pm at the Edgecomb Town Hall, Rt 27 in Edgecomb. If you're not familiar with that lovely early New England building, come see where the Fellowship met for it's first 28 years of existence. Mimi joined the Fellowship while we were meeting in Edgecomb.

Diaper Drive

Instead of the community suppers, we're collecting diapers for the diaper bank. They are also collecting menstrual supplies now! MUUF collected 350 diapers in 2 weeks last time. We have 5 weeks total – let's show how we care for our neighbors this month by dropping diapers and menstrual supplies in the tote at Damariscotta Dental! (Pro-tip: size 5 and 6 diapers are especially needed.)

Pastoral Care

A reminder that during this time without a minister, members of the fellowship in need of pastoral care can contact the co-chairs of the Care Committee, Sandy Barth (207-563-5565) or Joan Whitmire (207-350-6954). Either of them can establish contact with Rev. Charles Stephens.

Social Justice

Anti Racism Book Group

For those who are new to exploring anti racism or those who are further along, this group offered by Skidompha library is for you! Several of our members attend in an ongoing way, and it is highly recommended. Please go to skidompha.org for further information and to sign up.

The Maine Unitarian Universalist Social Action Network (MUUSAN) will be having our bi-monthly meeting on Zoom on Sat Sept 11, 10 to noon. Did you know that MUUSAN supported or opposed at least 79 bills in the first session of the 130th Legislature? We testified on 40 bills through 19 different MUUSAN members! Curious about us and our work for social justice? Join our meeting on the 11th and discover how you can put your UU values into action here in Maine.

Anti-racism Vigil: Every Monday 5:00-5:30 pm at the Newcastle Veterans Memorial Park until further notice. Check <u>PUAR's Facebook</u> page for updates.

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Our mission is to nurture spiritual growth; engage in justice; and build community with respect and compassion.